The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device comprising:

providing a rubber bushing including an inner sleeve, a resin outer sleeve disposed about the inner sleeve, and a rubber elastic body interposed between and bonded by vulcanization to an outer circumferential surface of the inner sleeve and an inner circumferential surface of the resin outer sleeve for elastically connecting the inner and outer sleeves;

providing a metallic mounting member having a cylindrical bore such that ~~into which the rubber bushing is press fit;~~ at least one engaging stepped face ~~previously~~ is formed on an inner surface of the mounting member at a boundary between a recessed portion and a non-recessed portion thereof;

wherein the resin outer sleeve has a smooth outer circumferential surface and arranging the smooth outer circumferential surface to be at least at a location such that an outside diameter of the resin outer sleeve ~~to be~~ is engaged with the engaging stepped face of the mounting member [before being press fit into the bore of the mounting member], and the smooth outer surface at the location to be engaged with the engaging stepped face has ~~an~~ the outside diameter which is larger than an inside diameter of the non-recessed portion and approximately equal to an inside diameter of the recessed portion, and

press-fitting ~~wherein~~ with the rubber bushing [being press fit] into the bore of the mounting member [[,]] so that one portion of the outer sleeve situated facing the non-recessed portion of the mounting member is compressed in diameter, while ~~a first~~ another portion of the outer sleeve situated facing the recessed portion of the mounting member expands in diameter by means of elastic recovery force in order to enter the recessed portion, ~~so that~~ whereby the smooth outer circumferential surface of the resin outer sleeve deforms to produce an engaged stepped face thereon,

~~the at least one engaged stepped face being opposed to the at least one engaging stepped face in an axial direction of the device, and~~ which is ~~being~~ brought into engagement with the ~~at least one~~ engaging stepped face on the mounting member in an axial direction so as to exhibit a resistance to dislodging of the rubber bushing from the mounting member ~~in at least one of opposite axial directions~~.

2. (cancelled)

3. (cancelled)

4. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device according to claim [[3]] 1, further comprising the step of ~~wherein~~ arranging the at least one engaging stepped face ~~extends~~ so as to extend in ~~the~~ a circumferential direction over an entire circumference of the cylindrical bore of the mounting member so as to be formed as an annular engaging stepped face.

5. (cancelled)

6. (withdrawn- currently amended) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device according to claim [[3]] 1, wherein the at least one engaging stepped face comprises a plurality of ~~the~~ engaging stepped faces, further comprising the step of arranging the plurality of engaging stepped faces ~~situated~~ at respective axial positions spaced away from one another in the axial direction ~~of the device~~.

7. (cancelled)

8. (withdrawn- currently amended) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device according to claim [[7]] 6 wherein said plurality of engaging stepped faces includes a pair of engaging stepped faces facing mutually opposite axial directions, wherein an axial distance between the pair of engaging stepped faces varies ~~at at least one~~ in a circumferential direction ~~position of the device~~.

9. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device according to claim 1, further comprising the step of arranging ~~wherein~~ the resin outer sleeve ~~has~~ to have a flange portion at one of opposite axial end thereof, wherein in the step of press fitting the rubber bushing into the bore, the flange portion being brought into abutting contact with a corresponding axial end face of the mounting member [, and] so that the flange portion of the resin outer sleeve and the ~~at least one~~ engaging stepped face formed on the outer circumferential surface of the resin outer sleeve ~~of the mounting member~~ face mutually opposite axial directions.

10. (withdrawn- currently amended) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device according to claim 9, wherein the at least one engaging stepped face of the mounting member is spaced apart from the flange portion in the axial direction ~~of the device~~, and an axial distance between the engaging stepped face and the flange portion varies ~~at at least one~~ in a circumferential ~~position~~ direction.

11. (cancelled)

12. (cancelled)

13. (withdrawn- currently amended) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device according to claim 1, further comprising: arranging an engaging anti-rotation stepped face formed on the inner surface of the mounting member so as to be inclined by a given angle relative to a diametric direction perpendicular to the axial direction ~~of the device~~; wherein, in the step of press fitting the rubber bushing into the bore, [and] an engaged anti-rotation stepped face produced on the outer circumferential surface of the resin outer sleeve once the outer sleeve is press fit into the cylindrical bore of the mounting member, by means of elastic deformation of the outer sleeve, the engaged anti-rotation stepped face being brought into engagement with the engaging anti-rotation stepped face so as to exhibit a resistance to rotation of the rubber bushing relative to the mounting member in a circumferential direction of the cylindrical bore of the mounting member.

14. (withdrawn- currently amended) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device according to claim 13, further comprising the step of arranging ~~wherein~~ the engaging stepped face ~~is~~ to be inclined by a given angle with respect to the diametric direction so that the engaging stepped face serves as the engaging anti-rotation stepped face as well as the engaging stepped face.

15. - 20. (cancelled)

21. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device according to claim [[17]] 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of arranging the mounting member ~~is~~ to be composed of a plurality of segments each having a cylindrical bore,

and to produce the recessed portion ~~is formed~~ by using one of the plurality of segments whose bore has a greatest inside diameter.

22.- 30. (cancelled)

31. (previously presented) A method of manufacturing a cylindrical vibration-damping device including a rubber bushing including an inner sleeve, a resin outer sleeve disposed about the inner sleeve, and a rubber elastic body interposed between and bonded by vulcanization to an outer circumferential surface of the inner sleeve and an inner circumferential surface of the resin outer sleeve for elastically connecting the inner and outer sleeves; a metallic mounting member having a cylindrical bore into which the rubber bushing is press fit; and at least one engaging stepped face previously formed on an inner surface of the mounting member at a boundary between a recessed portion and a non-recessed portion thereof, the resin outer sleeve having a smooth outer surface at least at a location to be engaged with the engaging stepped face of the mounting member before it is being press fit into the bore of the mounting member, and the smooth outer surface at the location to be engaged with the engaging stepped face has an outside diameter larger than an inside diameter of the non-recessed portion and approximately equal to an inside diameter of the recessed portion, said method comprising the steps of:

press fitting the rubber bushing into the bore of the mounting member so that one portion of the outer sleeve situated facing the non-recessed portion of the mounting member is compressed in diameter, while a first portion of the outer sleeve situated facing the recessed portion of the mounting member expands in diameter by means of elastic recovery force in order to enter the recessed portion, so that the smooth outer surface of the outer sleeve deforms to produce an engaged stepped face thereon; and

bringing into engagement the engaged stepped face opposed to the engaging stepped face in an axial direction of the device with the engaging stepped face so as to exhibit a resistance to dislodging of the rubber bushing from the mounting member in at least one of opposite axial directions.